Tourism area for the development of Tourism in the State and have prepared an integrated infrastructure development plan.

(c) and (d). According to Minstry of Railways, under the agreement between the Konkan Railways Corporation and Patil Tours and Travels Pvt. Ltd., Secunderabad,the tour operator will provide coaches for the luxury tourist train, arrange for facilities like seats, catering facilities, reservation, onboard services and ticketing. The Konkan Railway Corporation will provide all necessary facilities for operation of the train, such as, track signalling, station premises, locomotives, telecommunication, train crew, access to and from platform etc.

The operators will pay haulage charges for each trip and also pay 12% of gross monthly turnover as share of profit to Konkan Railway Corporation .

[Translation]

Extension in Route of Trains

1891. DR. RAMVILAS VEDANTI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the new trains, Rajdhani, Shatabdi, Sadbhavna, Varuna etc. started from Delhi via Sultanpur can also run via Faizabad-Ayodhya;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to make such arrangement in view of the historical importance of Ayodhya;

(c) if so, the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken by the Government in this regard; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) (a) No, Sir. However there is no Shatabdi Express from Delhi via Sultanpur and Varuna Express is not from Delhi.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Due to operational difficulties.

North-Eastern Coach Repair Factory

1892. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons working in North-Eastern Coach repairs factory at Bareilly during the last three years;

(b) whether the number of workers in this factory are continuously declining; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) The number of staff working in North Eastern Coach repair workshop at Izzatnagar Bareilly during the last three years is given below :-

1.1.1994	:	2691
1.1.1995	:	2598
1.1.1996	:	2483

(b) and (c). The reduction in the number of staff is to the extent of normal retirements in Izzatnagar workshop and lower arising of M.G. Stock POH workload due to gauge conversion. However, to compensate this, manufacture of M.G. D.M.Us and Rail Buses are being undertaken.

[English]

Increase in Production of R.S.P.

1893. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO : Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state :

(a) the production of hot metal, crude steel and saleable steel of Rourkela Steel Plant during each of the last three years;

(b) the amount spent on its modernisation;

(c) whether it has come up to the expected target of production;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the entire plant has been modernised; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA) : (a) to (d). The target and production of hot metal, crude steel and saleable steel of Rourkela Steel Plant during last three years are as follows :

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	1993-94		1994-95		1995-96	
	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual
Hot Metal	1350	1205	1350	1233	1500	1302
Crude Steel	1320	1148	1340	1178	1500	1205
Saleable Steel	1130	1130	1160	1201	1190	1148